

## **HOWARD COUNTY BRAC TASK FORCE**

**BRAC BIT: #46**

**DATE:** 15 July 2009

**SUBJECT(S):** Maryland BRAC Subcabinet Meeting

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### **DISCUSSION:**

1. Maryland BRAC Subcabinet Meeting in the Fort Meade Region:
  - a. Team, as per my previous "BRAC BITS," the Maryland BRAC Subcabinet will be meeting at Fort Meade from 2-3 PM on 27 July. Two years ago, this group met in individual counties. This year, its focus is more on the region surrounding the installation. The Fort Meade meeting will be the third of five such meetings that the Subcabinet will hold this year.
  - b. On 19 June 2009, the Office of the Lt. Governor sent out letters of invitation for this meeting to the Military Command at Fort Meade, elected officials and the public in the Fort Meade Region. The public is encouraged to attend this meeting and they will have an opportunity to ask questions of members of the BRAC Subcabinet.
  - c. Probable Agenda (subject to changes):
    - i. Welcome, introductions and opening remarks by the Lt. Governor
    - ii. Presentation by the Fort Meade Commander
    - iii. RGMC presentation subjects
      - Regional Transportation: Bob Leib
      - Regional Workforce: Kent Menser
      - Regional Emergency Services: Kent Menser
    - iv. Questions
  - d. Meeting Address:
    - i. Fort Meade Middle School
    - ii. Cafeteria/Multipurpose Room
    - iii. 1103 26<sup>th</sup> Street
    - iv. Fort George G. Meade, Maryland 20755
    - v. Note: This school is just off Highway 175 inside the Meade High School "Compound." You do not have to go through Fort Meade security to get to it. The gate to this location is always open, no guard post. Send Kent Menser an email if you have any questions on this event. [kmenser@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:kmenser@howardcountymd.gov)
2. BRAC Business Initiative (BBI) Status:
  - a. The BRAC Business Initiative (BBI) is actively engaged in defining the environment, identifying the obstacles and developing specific actions for small businesses desiring to do work with the Federal Government and/or supporting contractors.
  - b. The BBI Planning Committee has made real progress this week and we will have a draft plan available to all of our customers by 23 July. Our first formal In Progress Review (IPR) will be held on 25 August from 8-10 AM, location to be determined. All of our BBI companies (Test, Advisory and Partner) should attend and the general public is invited.
  - c. If your company would like to join the BBI effort as a Partner Company, send an email to [kmenser@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:kmenser@howardcountymd.gov) and state; "Make us a partner company." If you have any questions, call me. Thanks, Kent